

CHAP. VIII. This Act to continue until the Twentieth Day of December
Continuance, which shall be in the Year Seventeen Hundred and Seventy-two.

An Act for the better Regulation of the Mill and Land therein men-
tioned, and for the better Regulation of the Poor of Anne Arundel
County.

Preamble. **W**HILEAS by the Act entitled, 'An Act for amending Bills of
Credit, and other Purposes therein mentioned,' it was directed,
that the Justices of Anne Arundel County should, at the Time
of laying the Levy of the said County for this present Year, assess and levy
the Quantity of Tobacco thereby directed, for repairing and fitting up the
Building therein mentioned, for a Court-House and County Clerks Office,
and it appearing to this General Assembly, that the said Tobacco will not
be wanted for that Purpose for some Time hence, and whereas by another
Act, entitled, 'An Act for the Relief of the Poor within the several Counties
therein mentioned,' it was also directed, that the same Justices should, at the
Time of laying the Levy of the said County for this present Year, assess
and levy a Quantity of Tobacco to be applied to the Use of the Poor, and
other Purposes therein mentioned, and it being represented to this General
Assembly, that on Hand hath been purchased for Buildings erected
agreeable to the Directions of the said Act, and that the same Tobacco
will not be wanted for that Purpose for some Time hence;

It is enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and
with the Advice and Consent of his Lordship's Council, and the Upper and
Lower House of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, that the said
Tobacco, first above mentioned, shall not be assessed or levied by the said
Justices, until the laying of the Levy of the said County for the Year Se-
venteen Hundred and Seventy-five, when it shall and may be assessed and
levied, and applied to the Use of the said Buildings, and the said Tobacco
last above mentioned, shall not be assessed or levied by the said Justices,
until the laying the Levy of the said County for the Year Seventeen Hun-
dred and Seventy-four, when it shall and may be assessed and levied, and
applied to the Use of the Poor, and the other Purposes in the said Act
directed, and whereas it is represented to this General Assembly, by the
Trustees for the Poor of Anne Arundel County, that they have not been
able to find any Owners of Land near and convenient to the City of Anni-
polis, willing to dispose of the same, to be sold toward the said Purposes;

It is further enacted, That the said Trustees for the Poor of the
said County, or the major Part of them, and their Successors, be, and are
hereby authorized and required, to buy and purchase in Fee, any Quantity
of Land within Ten Miles of the said City of Annapolis, not exceeding
One Hundred Acres, which they shall think proper and convenient for the
Uses and Purposes by the said Act directed, and to agree with the Owner
or Owners of the said Land for the absolute Purchase thereof, and to
cause thereon such Buildings and Erections to be made for the Use of the
Poor,

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to be assessed
for fitting up
a Building
for a Court-
House, &c.
until 1775,
not for the
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